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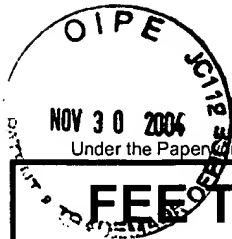
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**FEE TRANSMITTAL**  
**for FY 2005**

Effective 10/01/2004. Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$)**0.00****Complete if Known**Application Number **09/614,890**Filing Date **7/12/2000**First Named Inventor **Darko Kirovski**Examiner Name **CARL G COLIN**Art Unit **2136**Attorney Docket No. **MS1-587US****METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)**☐ Check ☐ Credit Card ☐ Money ☐ Other ☐ None  
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Large Entity Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description
1001	790	2001	395	Utility filing fee
1002	350	2002	175	Design filing fee
1003	550	2003	275	Plant filing fee
1004	790	2004	395	Reissue filing fee
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee

**SUBTOTAL (1)****0.00****2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE**

	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims	-20 =	x 18	=
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**Fee Description**

Claims in excess of 20

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Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examination action

Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action

Extension for reply within first month

Extension for reply within second month

Extension for reply within third month

Extension for reply within fourth month

Extension for reply within fifth month

Notice of Appeal

Filing a brief in support of an appeal

Request for oral hearing

Petition to institute a public use proceeding

Petition to revive - unavoidable

Petition to revive - unintentional

Utility issue fee (or reissue)

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Plant issue fee

Petitions to the Commissioner

Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)

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Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)

Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))

For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))

Request for Continued Examination (RCE)

Request for expedited examination of a design application.

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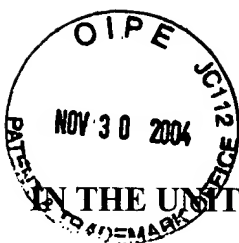
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